

# Missouri Top Openings

2014-2024

Missouri is projected to have more than 880,000 total job openings between 2014 and 2024. This includes openings created by new job growth, as well as those created through the need for replacement workers. Replacement openings occur due to retirement, turnover, or transferring to another occupation.

During this projected period, the 20 occupations with the greatest number of total openings includes 4 Office and Administrative Support Occupations and 4 Food Preparation and Serving Occupations. “Retail Salespersons” is the occupation that is expected to have the greatest number of total openings between 2014 and 2024, with over 34,000 total openings expected.

Occupation	2014 Est. Employment	2024 Proj. Employment	Growth Openings	Replacement Openings	Total Openings	Average 2015 Wage
Retail Salespersons	84,197	89,076	4,879	29,183	<b>34,062</b>	\$25,636
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers	74,079	83,663	9,584	23,940	<b>33,524</b>	\$19,160
Cashiers	69,818	71,762	1,944	29,706	<b>31,650</b>	\$20,376
Waiters and Waitresses	51,827	53,639	1,812	24,937	<b>26,749</b>	\$19,389
Registered Nurses	68,137	77,365	9,228	16,076	<b>25,304</b>	\$59,145
Customer Service Representatives	52,055	57,857	5,802	12,819	<b>18,621</b>	\$33,250
General and Operations Managers	52,287	55,751	3,464	13,235	<b>16,699</b>	\$100,506
Nursing Assistants	48,370	53,484	5,114	10,925	<b>16,039</b>	\$23,869
Office Clerks, General	60,978	62,306	1,328	13,150	<b>14,478</b>	\$30,210
Personal Care Aides	41,373	52,463	11,090	3,346	<b>14,436</b>	\$20,137
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	41,446	43,336	1,890	12,336	<b>14,226</b>	\$28,433
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	34,111	35,133	1,022	10,826	<b>11,848</b>	\$25,815
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	44,258	46,977	2,719	8,790	<b>11,509</b>	\$23,863
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	29,963	31,554	1,591	7,852	<b>9,443</b>	\$35,440
Accountants and Auditors	26,392	28,554	2,162	7,044	<b>9,206</b>	\$71,485
Cooks, Restaurant	21,488	24,786	3,298	5,685	<b>8,983</b>	\$22,794
Team Assemblers	26,952	30,049	3,097	5,788	<b>8,885</b>	\$33,996
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers	20,852	23,184	2,332	6,194	<b>8,526</b>	\$29,562
Secretaries/Admin Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, Executive	62,984	64,549	1,565	6,640	<b>8,205</b>	\$31,761
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	43,311	44,145	834	7,367	<b>8,201</b>	\$40,833

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